

## **New Jersey Department of Children and Families Policy Manual**

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Section	5	General safety (N.J.A.C. 10:126-6.5)	

## §10:126-6.5 General safety

- (a) The provider shall ensure that:
  - 1. The home and its furnishings present no hazard to the health and safety of the children in care;
  - 2. All items that may be hazardous to children, including medicines, poisonous plants, toxic substances, tobacco products, matches and sharp objects, are stored out of the reach of children;
  - 3. Safety barriers are installed to prevent children from falling from stairs, ramps, balconies, porches (when used for child care activities), elevated play areas and any areas that subject children to falls:
  - 4. All electrical outlets that are accessible to the children are covered with safety caps, ground fault interrupters or have safety outlets installed;
    - 5. A working flashlight is available for emergency lighting;
  - 6. All firearms, other weapons and ammunition are stored in locked areas out of the reach of children;
  - 7. The home shall be free of exposed lead-based paint surfaces, which are flaking, peeling or chipped;
  - 8. Unfinished areas of the home including, but not limited to, attics, basements and additions shall not be used for the care of children; and
    - 9. Portable fans shall be kept out of reach of children.